enformity—to all bills of a similar character passed tentofore, but still he would not press it upon the Housemiss the committee were prepared. On Monday next is intended to ask for that privilege.

Mr. CAMPBELL, of Ohio, had understood from the daiman of the Committee of Ways and Means, as well is from other sources, that the government desired this nearest acted on speedilly. It was intimated by the borolle chairman that he would make a motion to susped the rules in order to get at this matter. In that we he had ventured to make the motion. He believed that the general merits of the bill might be discussed, and in the meantime it might be printed. The House and the general merits of the bill might be discussed, and in the meantime it might be printed. The House are that of issuing twenty millions of treasury sites without some discussion.

Mr. JONES, of Pennsylvania, thought it due to the committee to make this statement, that while the exigency of the Clerk of the House comes of the Clerk of the House compared to investigate and report upon the country of the Clerk of the House country notes without giving them an opportunity of speal importance as the issuing of twenty millions of passary notes without giving them an opportunity of speal importance as the bill.

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Mr. BANKS, of Massachusetts, had no doubt that the puleman was ready to proceed with the consideration of the bill. He had, however, had an opportunity of examining it. It was an important measure, and should not be forced upon the House until they had an opportunity to read it. In his opinion, it was not a bill like those passed before with a very few exceptions. If they considered the time when it was offered, he thought there would be found no precedent for its passage. Certainly he might say that there was no exigency that required the passage of such a bill as this at once. If the government was engaged in a war, or if there was an immediate demand for money, he was the last man in the House who would interpose an objection.

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Mr. RITCHIE, of Pennsylvania, hoped that the further consideration of the bill would be postsponed. The whole proceeding was extraordinary. It was only six weeks since the Secretary of the Treasury was paying the creditors of the United States at the rate of \$130 for every \$100. Mr. GROW, of Pennsylvania, was also of the opinion that it was not proper to force this bill on the consideration of the House at this time unless by unanimous con

Mr. JONES, of Pennsylvania, would ask his colleague Mr. JONES, of Pennsylvania, would ask his consistency of the bill.
Mr. GROW replied that he was through with his remarks in reference to the bill. He now proposed to appear to move that the committee rise, and salt to his colleague to move that the committee rise, at the bill be printed.

Mr. LETCHER, of Virginia, was glad to see an

Mr. LETCHER, of Virginia, was glad to see an impovement in legislation, and nothing had afforded him more satisfaction than the remarks of the gentleman who had just taken his seat. That gentleman had been in the labit of reporting bills, and, under the operation of the gertous question, of passing them, without giving members an opportunity of discussing them.

Mr. GROW replied that the gentleman would remember that he had reported no bills that had not been

Mr. LETCHER replied that one bill had been read from the Clerk's dosk in manuscript, and the House was called upon to vote some twenty millions of the public lands without having an opportunity of discussing the bill. It seemed to him, then, that the gentleman was asking considerable progress, and he would congratulate him upon it. He was glad there was to be nothing of that sort in this Congress. With this view of the proposition he moved that the committee rise.

The motion was agreed to, and the committee rose, and the chairman reported to the House that the committee had had under consideration the state of the Union centrally, and particularly the bill to authorize the issuing of treasury notes, but had come to no conclusion thereon.

Mr. RITCHIE moved that when the House adjourn toay it adjourn to meet on Monday next; which mo-

Mr. KEITT, of South Carolina, from the Committee on radio Baildings and Grounds, reported a resolution that that committee be authorized to employ a clerk for such time as they might deem necessary, at the usual compen-

After a brief discussion, Mr. FLORENCE, of Pennsylvania, moved to ame resolution by inserting the Committee on Invalid Pen-sions after the word "Grounds."

After further discussion, a gentleman from Kentucky moved that the amendment be laid on the table; which

Mr. SMITH, of Virginia, from the select committee to examine into the cost, &c., of the public printing, reported the following resolution; which was agreed to:

Resolved. That the select committee of seven to "Inquire into the laws in relation to the printing for the House of resentatives, the prices paid therefor, and the duties ag of Congress and the laws regulating the same, and that they be also directed to make the same inquiries into the prices paid for engraving and paper for the printing of Congress, and also for the publication, binding, &c. ongressional Globe, and that the said committee ted to report on all these subjects in the manner out by the resolution of the House of December

Mr. BANKS, of Massachusetts, introduced a bill to anthorize the people of Kansas to form a constitution and tate government, preparatory to their admission into the Union with all the rights of the original States; which was referred to the Committee on Territories and ordered to be sentent. Mr. TAYLOR, of New York, introduced a joint resolu-

on amendatory of an act entitled "An act to regulate a compensation of members of Congress," approved Au-ust 16, 1856, by which the members would receive at a first of the session their mileage and compensation at the rate of \$250 per month; which was adopted. PACIFIC RAILROAD.

Mr. GILBERT, of New York, submitted the following

Resolved. That so much of the President's message and mpanying documents as referred to the subject of a onal railroad from the Mississippi valley to the Pacific a be referred to a select committee to be appointed cean be referred to a select comm mittee to take into consideration all such petitions and matters relating to the construction of railroads and tele-graph lines to the Pacific ocean as shall be referred to

By Mr. McKIBBIN: A bill for the grant of lands in mate sections to the State of California to aid in the astruction of railroads in said State.

a Washington, D. C., suildenly, on the 8th instant, JOHN , esc., aged 44 years. He was a native of New York, a lawyer by profession, and for many ars a recident of Michigan, where he filled various prominent off-For the past two years he was an employee in the Department the Interior, and leaves a wife and six children in this city.

{Buffalo, (N. Y.) Commercial Advertiser. or York, will officiate in the Iath-street Baptist Church (br. Tou-lars) on to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock, and at 75 o'clock at loc 10 loc 10.

Nortes.—The Rev. Dr. Gurley, pastor of the Scot Church, will not be absent from the city to morrow, as he coled, but will occupy his own pulpit at H, a. m., and 7, p. m.

RELIGIOUS NOTICE.—The Church of God will on for worship three times to-morrow. (Sanday.) at II, a. m., and and T ofcoke, b. m., in the German Hall, 11th strees, north of F. be public are invited to attend.

Lectures on Man by Prof. O. S. Fowler, of Fort, or phremology and physiology exponented and applied to 21 Dec. in laws organs. Annihies and improvement, will be de-side a temperature fall every evening, except Saturday, commen-fedday, December 7, at 75g o'clock, each closing with wante ax-ations of preminent eithems selected by the audience. For sub-death letture see small fulls and daily notices in the papers.

mitted a resolution that the Senate will go into

After the usual morning business, the Senate resamed the consideration of the treasury-note bill, which was discussed by Messrs. Hunter, Seward, Simmons, Crittenden, and Bell until the hour of ad-

of five was appointed, on motion of Mr. Clingman, of the fact that many frandulent pre-emption claims to investigate and report upon the conduct and accounts of the Clerk of the House during the last such will be the case even under the most dili-Congress, and also upon the inferior quality of sta- gent administration of this and the local offices, estionery. From the Committee of Ways and Means, pecially during periods such as that through which Hon. J. Glancy Jones reported a bill to authorize an we have recently passed, when the spirit of speculaissue of treasury notes to the amount of \$20,000,000, tion has possession of the public mind. But this being the same with the Senate bill on this subject. class of cases, when compared with the great body Also, the Indian and consular and diplomatic appro- of honest claims made by men living upon the priation bills. The treasury-note bill was taken up in lands, is too inconsiderable to weigh against our poltion was postponed until it could be printed. Mr. bill" for the admission of Kansas as a State into the

REPORT FROM THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE. This paper is a well-written document, giving a mplete view of the operations of the Land Office for the past year, the progress of the surveys, the quantity of land sold, and all other particulars connected with the working of our land system. It affords a glimpse, as it were, into our progress and the confederacy, yet the progress made in the actual increase as a nation, and enables us to measure the volume of the wave of emigration as it rolls on towards the base of the Rocky mountains both from the East and the West.

The quantity of land surveyed and ready for market, and not advertised, on the 30th September, 1857, exclusive of lands withdrawn on account of railroad grants, embraces an area of 57,442,876 acres. Of this quantity 22,889,461 acres were surveyed Paul on the first Wednesday of December, (present.) during the five quarters preceding that date. During Accordingly, the legislature convened on the 2d the next fiscal year there will be surveyed and pre- instant, and immediately proceeded to perfect its orpared for market an additional area of 15,438,000

During the five quarters mentioned 5,300,550 acres have been sold for cash, the receipts into the treasury therefrom being \$4,225,908 18; 7,381,610 acres ave been located with military land warrants; 3,362,476 acres reported under swamp-land grants; and 5,116,000 acres granted to the State of Alabama and Territory of Minnesota for railroad purposes. The quantity sold and located during this period falls short of the lands sold and located during the period embraced in the last report by more than six millions of acres.

The condition of the bounty-land business shows warrants, representing 38,589,690 acres, have been have been chosen. located; leaving 131,453 warrants, calling for 15,100,-

189 acres, yet outstanding.

The total amount of lands selected for the several States under the swamp-land grants is 54,174,281 acres; of which there have been approved 40,133,-564 acres, and patented to the States 24,060,396 acres. The selections reported during the past fiscal year amount to 2,962,408 acres. It is recommended that a limit be fixed to the time within which swamp selections may be made.

During and since the year 1850 grants of land have been made to ten States and one Territory, to suspension of the territorial and establishment of a aid them in the construction of fifty railroads of an extent of 8,647 miles, amounting (part estimated) to 24,247,335 acres, of which 20,796,875 acres were granted by the last Congress. These grants, so far does it present to the tumults and violence of that as they remain unadjusted, receive the prompt at other Territory, in which, for the past four years, tention of the General Land Office, so far as the prerequisites are furnished by the authorities of the gal authorities, and which has been the theatre for grantees, and involve an amount of officia habor least equal to the sale of that quantity of land.

Of the quantity of 684,269 acres, granted to the acres has been approved for the Des Moines grant.

The greater portion of the archives relating to the public surveys in Michigan have been handed over to the authorities of that State. The archives of the surveyor general's office of Illinois will be transferred to the State authorities as soon as provision shall have been made by the legislature of that State for their reception. The surveys in Missouri are so nearly ompleted that the archives will be ready for transmittee to take into consideration all such petitions and matters relating to the construction of railroads and telegraph lines to the Pacific ocean as shall be referred to the Business of the surveying season and the solution was not in order because the President's message was not before the House.

The SPEAKER decided the point to be well taken: The SPEAKER decided the point to be well taken: The SPEAKER decided the point to be well taken: The SPEAKER decided the point to be well taken: The SPEAKER decided the point to be well taken: The speaker action, at half-past 3 o'clock the long and the surveying district has been opened in Minnesota, but no returns gress, where it will form a faultful them. of surveys have yet been received. The resurveys in Arkansas are nearly completed, and the surveyor general is preparing the land records for transfer to the State authorities. In Louisiana the surveys, are nearly complete. No surveys have been carried the other States of the Union, attracting no more att on in Florida on account of the hostilities of the Indians. Indian hostilities have also interfered with the prosecution of the surveys in New Mexico; the surveyor general recommends that a board of comsurveyor general recommends that a total of com-missioners be appointed to adjudicate Spanish and Mexican claims in that Territory, an early settlement of which is of great importance. The mineral lands in New Mexico should be reserved from general RELIGIOUS NOTICE.—Elder David S. Burnet, of of which is of great importance. The mineral lands in New Mexico should be reserved from general sales or locations, I the transport hors with

The surveys in Kansas have been prosecuted with energy, returns having been received to the extent of seventeen thousand miles. From Nebraska seven thousand miles of field work have been returned. In Utah the surveys had progressed rapidly previous to the withdrawal of the surveyor general on account of the hostilities of the Mormons.

The summary of the field operations in California since the commencement of the service in 1851 to the present time consists of 82,000 miles of lineal surveys, embracing an area of upwards of 20,000,000 acres, at the aggregate expense of more than \$1.

One of which there were surveyed during the cost a sanking bloase.

FOR SALE—A valuable and pleasant pew in St. John's Church Inquire of Anthony Hydo, esq., at Biggs & Dec 19—diff

resulted in the discovery of many valuable minerals, mourning by wearing crape on the left arm for thirty including ores of iron, lead, platinum, and copper. The report is two-thirds the size of Dr. Owen's re-

Upon the subject of the policy of pre-emption the report says : "The wisdom of the pre-emption policy is no longer the subject of controversy. It is established by the history of every neighborhood and sottlement throughout the West. This is said in full view

Committee of the Whole, but its further considera- icy. The title to the land should pass immediately Banks, of Massachusetts, introduced "An enabling the soil. So far as it may be avoided the speculator should not be allowed to intervene." It is recommended that the reserved sections along the line of railroads shall be liable to pre-emption after, as time before the public sale.

#### THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

Although not formally admitted into the Union and therefore not recognised as one of the States of establishment of a State government justifies the assertion that Minnesota is a State-not within the Union, it is true, but still a State. At the same time the State constitution was adopted by the people an election was held, in pursuance of its provisions, for governor, members of the legislature, and other officers of the State. It directed, also, that the first session of the legislature should meet at the city of St. ganization, thus actually putting the legislative department of the State government in full force. The organization of both branches is democratic.

The constitution contains the following clause relarive to the exercise of the executive authority, while Minnesota is passing from the condition of a Territory to that of a State of the Union :

"All territorial officers, civil and military, now hold-ing their offices under the authority of the United States or of the Territory of Minnesota, shall continue to hold and exercise their respective offices until they shall be su-perseded by the authority of the State."

The Minnesota Pioneer says that this provision was intended to secure the services of executive officers until the State shall be admitted into the that, altogether, 503,082 land warrants have been Union, when the officers already elected will assume issued, embracing 53,689,870 acres; that 371,629 the responsibilities of the positions for which they

Three members of Congress were elected at the same time the constitution was adopted, and we presume that the legislature will soon select two United States senators, completing the congressional representation of the new State.

Thus we see the peaceful transition of Minnesota from the condition of a Territory to that of a sovereign State, superseding by her own action the former government by a new one of her own choice No conflict of authority is apprehended : no alarm is felt, there or elsewhere, concerning the provisional government. A new democratic State is organized in a manner becoming the dignity of free citizens fit to govern themselves. What a contrast abolition propagandism

# INDIANA SENTIMENT.

We published a few days since a resolution adopted State of Wisconsin for the improvement of the Fox by the democratic convention of Owen county, Inand Wisconsin rivers, 589,387 acres have been actually certified and approved, leaving a balance to be ner whatever with the management of affairs in Kanadjusted of 94,881 acres. The quantity of 869,192 sas," and in favor of the people of that Territory "settling their own vexed questions in their own way, subject to no dictation and control by non-residents and outsiders." We find in the Indiana State Sentinel, a leading democratic press, a paragraph of similar tenor which we subjoin. We are assured that such is undoubtedly the feeling of the national men of all parties in Indiana, and that the action of her delegation in Congress will prove it :

are doing. The Fresident has left the subject to Con-gress, where it will form a fruitful theme for oratorical display day after day for the benefit of the letter-writers and telegraph companies. But when it is decided by a vote of the people that slavery shall not exist in the Ter-ritory, as it undoubtedly will be if the inhabitants there desire any settlement of the question, the whole subject will lose its interest and Kapsas will fall quietly in success. will lose its interest, and Kansas will fall quietly in among

HRAD WORK.—Literary labor is undervalued, chieff because the tools wherewith it is done are invisible. If the brain made as much noise as a mill, or if thoughtsowing followed hard after a breaking-up plough, sion of thought would be at a premium, because the clock-work would seem to show that it cost something to

# PHILHARMONIC HALL.

Pennsylvania avenue, between 11th and 12th streets GRAND OPENING NIGHT,

MISS E. L. WILLIAMS, The "Welsh Nightingale,"
ON MONDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 21, 1867

LOCAL NEWS.

The survey of that portion of Oregon between the Cascade mountains and the Pacific ocean will be completed by the operations of another year. Owing Wall, Stephens, & Co. The painter, Mr. Simpson, has Aur Exmurrox. -We have before alluded to the fine SEXATE—The death of Hon. John G. Montgomery, to the Indian hostlitties and other reasons, but limit a member elect of the House of Representatives from Pennsylvania, having been announced in a message from that body, Mr. Bigler delivered an appropriate

A statement showing the origin of the geological royal children, the lords and ladies "in waiting," with several American officers and civilians, forming a most interesting picture. All the portrats have been painted from life, and every detail is an exact representation of the Resolute, that naval trophy of peace and good-will.

There is also on exhibition at the same place a series of fac-simile water-color drawings, by the best English artists, from the original pictures bequeathed by the cele-brated Turner to the British nation, and now at the pubthe gallery in Marlborough House, London. They give an excellent idea of the wonderful pictures by this great

stand, are now being engraved. The engraving of the Restoration of the Resolute, which is a pictorial record of good feeling between two great powers, will undoubtedly

EDUCATIONAL CONVENTION. - The friends of education stitution. Rev. Dr. Binney, president of Columbia College, in the chair; and G. J. Abbott, esq., was secretary An interesting discussion occupied the morning on "the responsibility of teachers for the moral education of their

In the evening a lecture was delivered by the Hon. H. from the government to the men who are to cultivate | Barnard, of Connecticut, on "Reformatory Education and Schools." The convention will continue in session today, and will be addressed by Mr. Emerson, of Boston,

as well as before, the final allotment—that is, at any of A. S. Moses at a sea-shore hotel in New Jersey, will have to suffer the extreme penalty of the law on the 8th of January next, unless his sentence is commuted by court of pardons, before which his case will be brought on Tuesday next. Numerous petitions in his behalf will then be presented among them one from his many friends in this metropolis, and also a minority decision from the court of appeals, reversing the decision of the supreme

> Kuis KRINGLE has not "suspended," not he! His KRIS KRISGLE has not "suspended," not no: Has dividend payment "comes but once a year," and he is ever ready to second the plans of all who think that it is "more blessed to give than to receive." Every shop improved the plans of the near approach of failures being reported. At Stockholm the crisis is alarm-Christmas-tide, and our advertising columns show that due preparation has been made for supplying all generously sposed donors. We noticed yesterday at Gautier's an unusually large as

ortment of charming boxes for bonbons, some of them really exquisite. He has also received, direct from Paris, great variety of confectionary and ornaments for the

THE GRAND JURY .- This body is now in session, an it is whispered about that its investigations may possess great public interest. Many abuses have doubtless existong us, and it is proper that they should be investi-

MOUNT VERNON FUND .- It has been suggested that th ladies of this city could, with a slight effort, collect a large sum during the holidays, as their contribution towards the fund for the purchase of Mount Vernon now being raised under the auspices of the ladies

CHRISTMAS DAY .- The approach of this time-honore holiday is announced by a prodigious display of toys and gift-books in the stores, and by an unusual provision of minced meat, raisins, eggs, and other "good cheer" by all housekeepers who have the means so to do. It will undoubtedly be a day of social festivity even among tho who will not honor it as a holy-day.

PHILIDARMONIC HALL, in the "Star Buildings," is to inaugurated on Monday evening next by Miss E. L. Williams, who will give a musical entertainment known as the "Lady's Dream, or the Freaks of Queen Mab," writ-

Miss May's Concurt, on Monday evening next, will subtless attract a large and a fashionable audience. Seats can be secured in advance without extra charge.

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from original designs. \$4 and \$6.
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Jamb's and Gray's Poetical Works, Pleasures of Memory and of Hope, n's Sabbath; illustrated by Foster. \$2.50 and \$3.50. - Bards; the choicest production of the Scottish Poets.

Scotia's Bards; the choicest production of the Scotia's Bards; the choicest production of the Ninetsenth Century; English and American editors of the Ninetsenth Century; English and Century editors of the Ninetsenth Centur The roces of the successions: 132 engravings. 55 Compet's Task and Gray's Elegy; illustrated.

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TADIES' AND GENTLEMEN'S REAL PARIS

BY TELEGRAPH.

Later from Burget Arrival of the Steamship Usnada. HALIFAX, Dec. 18.—The royal mail steamship Canada arrived here this morning, with four days later European

intelligence.
The Adriatic arrived out on the evening of the 3d inst. Parliament opened on the 5d. The Queen delivered her speech in person. She recommended an indemnity bill for the relief of the Bank, and promises a parliamen-

LIVERPOOL, Friday.—Cotton—sales of week 46,000 bales. The market opened at a decline of \( \frac{1}{6} \) a \( \frac{1}{6} \), and closed slightly lower, except for middling qualities, but prices were steady; sales of the week to speculators 10,-500 bales, and to exporters 4,500. Estimated sales of Friday 3,000, the market closing with a downward ten dency. Brendstuffs were dull.

Provisions very dull.

The money market was generally unchanged, but active. Consols closed Friday at 91§. SECOND DESPATCH. Queen Victoria's speech is mostly of local interest. In

uncen victoria's speech is mostly of local interest. In the House of Commons Lord Palmerston gave notice that the government would introduce a bill for the manage-ment of India after the recess. The launching of the great steamship Leviathan was alonly recessing.

ment of India after the recess.

The launching of the great steamship Leviathan was slowly progressing.

Financial accounts are most deplorable, and there have been many additional failures, among them several important firms: Hermann Cox & Co., Liverpool, in the cotton trade, Rishlities £60,000; Bischoff, Been. & Co., London, in the India trade; M. Joel, Dantsic, £300,000; Hersch, Mosss, & Co., Stettin, 1,500,000 thalers; Hoffman & Co., London, in the Swiss trade; P. Magee, Liverpool, shipowner, & c.; Daccotta & Co., London, £350, man & Co., London, in the Swiss trade; P. Magee, Liverpool, shipowner, &c.; Dacosta & Co., London, £350, 600, and many others. In Hamburg the crisis is fearful, and the failures too numerous to particularize—all business is, in fact, suspended. The Prussian government has issued an order suspending the usury laws.

The Adriatic arrived off Point Lynas on the evening of the 3d, but did not reach Liverpool until the afternoon of the 4th, owing to the lowness of the tide.

The Ouen's suscell was very varie. She dealers.

The Queen's speech was very vague. She deplores the commercial disasters, and rejoices in the success of the army in India. The speech commends the carnest attention of Parliament to the affairs in India, and entertains no fears of a disturbance of the present tranquility in Europe. in Europe.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer had introduced a bill

The Chancellor of the Exchequer had introduced a bill into the House of Commons for indemnity to the Bank, and a committee of the whole House had been appointed on the Bank charter.

Spain refuses to accede to the demand of Mexico that her envoy shall be received preliminary to negotiation. Advices from Cuba received at Madrid state that the Spanish feet is seed to all at a contact and the contact that the contact is the contact to the second of the contact to the contact that the contact that the contact the contact tha

Spanish fleet is ready to sail at a moment's notice against Mexico.

LIVERPOOL MARKETS. The estimated sales of cotton

ARKERS.—The estimated sales of cotton on Friday, the 4th inst., were 3,000 bales, market closing with a declining tendency—fair Orleans being quoted 6½d., middling 6 9-6d., fair Mobile 6½d., middling Mobile 6½d., fair uplands 6½d., middling uplands 6½d. Stock in port 317,000 bales, including 151,000 American. Manchester market opened buoyant, but closed heavy.

The bullion in the Bank of England had increased

Breadstuff circulars vary considerably in their quota-tions. Richardson, Spence, & Co. report flour dull at la-decline since Tucsday; wheat with a declining tendency, Tucsday's advance being lost. The Brokers General Cir-cular reports flour closing with an advancing tendency, and ls. dearer on the week. Wheat advanced 3d. per bushel. McHenry's and other circulars report beef dull, and ls. lower. Bosin steady—common quoted 4s. 3d. Spirits turpentine dull at 32 a 33s. London market.—Sugar advanced 6d. a ls., and closed steady.

Fire at Fredericksburg. RICHMOND, Dec. 18.—The Exchange Hotel, Fredericks burg, was burned last night.

New Your, Dec. 18.—Cotton is quiet. Flour firm-sales 16,000 bales; State quoted \$4 35 a \$4 50; Ohio, \$4 90 a \$5 35; southern, \$4 85 a \$5 20. Wheat is un-settled—sales 11,000 bushels; white quoted at \$1 42\frac{1}{2} a \$1 45. Corn declined—sales 12,000 bushels; white, 57 a 64 cents. Mess pork quoted \$15 25 a \$15 90; prime, \$13 25 a \$15 85. Chicago beef, \$10 50 a \$12 75. Lard declined, learnt. Whisker 231 a 24 a parts. Spirit to declined \(\frac{1}{2}\) cent. Whiskey 23\(\frac{1}{2}\) a 24 cents. Spirits pentine heavy at 40 cents. Rice heavy.

# OFFICIAL.

TREARMENT OF STATE,
Washington, December 15, 1857.
Information has been received at this department from John Ralli,
esq., the United States consul at Odessa, of the death of Peter Mathewson, a citizen of the United States, on the 15th of September last.
Dec 17-3:

# ASSEMBLY ROOMS.

LOUISIANA AVENUE

pectfully announces that her concert, which was unavoidably poned, will positively take place ON TUESDAY NEXT, DECEMBER 22,

Being her last appearance in Washington previous to her defor the South; on which occasion she will be assisted by Mr. HARRY SANDERSON, the favorite pinnist.

is can be secured without extra charge at the Piano and Mu-ic of Davis and Metzerott.

Tickets \$1 each; seats secured without extra charge. Concert to commence at \$ o'clock. Dec 18—dtf

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# THE WASHINGTON THEATRE.

(Also lessee of Wallack's Theatre, New York.) Mr. STUART begs to announce that the building known as C

A SMALL AND ELEGANT THEATRE. Contracts have been made with and the theatre will be constructed by Mr. Porr, of this city, after a design furnished by Mr. Bourcleault The first performance will take place on Christmas Day. The senson will consist of sixteen weeks, comprising performance of the highest class.

or the subscribers are kindly requested to pay their subscriptions to Hesses, Riggs & Co., bankers. The plan of the orehestra stalls and private boxes may be seen at the Theatre on Monday next. WM. STUART. Dec 16-5t ADIES' CLOAKS AND CLOAK CLOTHS.

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#### TO THE CITIZENS OF WASHINGTON Wolfe's Schiedam Aromatic Schnapps

The proprietor begs leave to call the attention of strangers and the itizens of Washington to a very superior article of Hodland gin, which

dars from the Schuapps.

This gin is manufactured by the proprietor exclusively at his distilery in Schiedam, Holland. It is made from the best burley that can ery in sequence. As many cost, and flavored and medicated, not by the common harsh herry, but by the most choice botanical variety o the aromatic Italian juniper herry, whose more vinous extract is dis-tilled and rectified with its spirituous solvent, and thus becomes a con-centrated theories of exquisite flavor and aroma, altogether transcend ng in its cordini and medicinal properties any alcoholic beverage

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sold at one half, in many cases at one fourth, the prices they have
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STEAM MACHINERY FOR SCREW PRO-

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Sinam Stachinery for Score Propoler Stooped War, will be received at this department until a o'clock, the 20th January, 1867, for the complete construction of the steam machinery and appendages, and placing it on board a screw propeller altipole war building in the United States may yard at Boston.

The offer must be forts specific sum for putting the whole in successful operation; must include all patent fees for any arrangement that may be proposed; state the time in which the work will be completed, and be accompanied by the usual guarantee required by law the manue of the establishment in which the work is to be executed must be stated.

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must be stated.

The details of the design and arrangement of the machinery will be fer with the party whose proposition may be accepted as combining the greatest number of advantages, keeping it view anaplicity of our struction, readiness of access for adjustment when its operation, and not being subject to derangement in the working parts; it being the object of the department to obtain the mest speed and power with the most economical consumption of fuel, and the greatest atowage of coal which the space available for that purpose will admit.

The boliers to be of iron, with islescopic anotic pape, which must be placed at the greatest practicable distance from the unainsast; the proprier, with the connections for heeting, to be of composition; the machinery for benefing, for pumps, appearants for ventilating, and appurenance of all kinds necessary for the perject working of the whole, to be of the most approved kinds. The confounkers, shaft passage, two atheratines iron toutificates a distilling appearants for fresh water from which can be made not less than 500 galitons per day; all the tools and disploate paces because we distilling appearants for fresh water from which can be made not less than 500 galitons per day; all the tools and disploate paces because the fuel of the reception of the stand) necessary to a date themselved.

The wood and carpenter work (except the bering out the desidewood for the shaft) necessary to a date the vessel for the reception of the machinery, bodiers, and appendages, will be previded at the expense of the Navy Department, and it will permit the use of such facilities as it may have for heighting the beavy machinery on beard.

For the accommendation of the entire steam machinery and the fuel, there will be allowed in the body of the ship the entire space, under the berth deck, commencing at twenty feet a half the mainmast, and thence extending forward a distance of 56 feet. Within this space it is expected to carry coal for 11 days' full atsuming, the daily consumption of whi

Stanm channe manufacturors who desire to bid can obtain a copy of the section of the vessel upon making application to the department. The proposal must be accompanied by full specifications and general drawings, having the position of the centre of gravity of the machinery, believa, &c., marked on them; giving also the capacity of the steam cylinders and area of foot and delivery valves, and of air pumip, and outboard delivering valves, space for steam above the water has a boliers, the fire and grate surface; also the diameter, pitch, surface, and kind of propeller, and other principal points, that comparisons can readily be inade. There will also be given the estimate of the weight of engine, boliers, water, bunkers, appendages, tools, and spare work, in tons of 2.440 pounds.

The terms of payment will be that when one-fourth of the materials and labor provided for in the contract shall have been completed to the satisfaction of the department, there will be made a payment of one-fifth part of the whole amount of the contract; when one-shifth awork shall in like manner be completed, there will be a further payment of one-fifth; and when the ship shall have been completed, and have made a satisfactory trial of one week, them further payment of one-fifth; and when the ship shall have performed satisfactorily at sea for a period of three months, then the remaining som shall be paid.

The repairs nevessary during this period from defective workmanthip or materials will be at the expense of the contractor.

The proposals must be explicit, and no qualified or conditional offer will be considered.

ISAAC TOUCEY, TO THE CITIZENS OF WASHINGTON.

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